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Prices paid to trappers for their furs last season were so low in many States that they took up their traps after two or three weeks work and quit for the season. There was no market whatsoever for some of the furs they harvested. The outlook for the trappers this season is a trifle brighter than it has been for the past two or three seasons. It is still not sufficiently encouraging however, to create a grand rush for trapping licenses and traps and then a dash into the field at the crack of dawn on the first day of the open season to start placing sets.

There are signs of reviving strength in the raw fur market and the prices paid for the "wanted" furs -- muskrat, mink, squirrel, marmot, Persian lamb -- have advanced 10 to 15 per cent. The fur trade of the United States, however, is still in a very unhealthy position.

The trade holds large quantities of garments and skins of the "wanted" furs and the storage houses are bulging from tremendous quantities of "not wanted" furs, such as raccoon, opossum, skunk, fox, and coyote. In addition, large supplies of raw furs have been imported from all over the world and a considerable portion of these are in little demand. Fur farmers have produced the largest mink skin crop on record which increases to a considerable extent the raw fur supply already on hand.

Before any great relief can come to the trappers, the consumption of furs in the United States will have to increase greatly during the next six or eight months in order to stimulate the movement of furs in all branches of the trade.

Regulations governing the trapping of fur animals are made by the individual States, not by the Federal Government.

The tabulations in this leaflet of the open seasons for 1949-1950 on fur animals and the summaries of the provisions of State and provincial laws concerning possession, sale, shipment, export, and licenses have been prepared primarily to aid Federal officials in conducting investigations under the Lacey Act and enforcing its provisions and to answer inquiries of State game officials, trappers, and other interested persons. Every effort has been made to have the summaries correct, but the trapping seasons in many State and Provinces being subject to change by orders, or regulations of the respective conservation authorities, it would be well for trappers and others concerned to apply direct to the proper agency for the latest information on State and Provincial laws, orders, and regulations before engaging in trapping or other activities involving fur animals or parts thereof.

The Federal Lacey Act is found on pages 41 and 42 of this leaflet.

## ALABAMA

### Open season

Beaver.....	No open season.
Civet cat, fox, mink, opossum, skunk, raccoon, weasel.....	Nov. 20 - Feb. 20.
Otter.....	Nov. 20 - Feb. 20.
Muskrat (see exception).....	Nov. 20 - Feb. 20.
Exception: Mobile and Baldwin Counties.....	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31.

Possession and sale - Possession of furs, skins, or pelts by trapper, fur buyer, or dealer longer than 20 days after the close of the season is illegal, unless permission to keep furs longer has been granted by the Department of Conservation before the expiration of the 20-day period.. No restrictions on sale of skins legally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

Licenses - Resident; \$2.50. A nonresident is not permitted to trap. Fur buyers or trader must obtain a license based on gross sales of the preceding year, the minimum cost of license being \$25.

## ALASKA

### Open season

#### Beaver:

Fur district 1.....	No open season.
Fur district 2 (see exception).....	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31.

Exception: Except on a strip one-half mile wide on each side of the Copper River road from Eyak bridge to Mile 27..... No open season.

Fur district 3.....	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31.
Fur district 4 (see exception).....	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31.

Exception: In the area draining into the Kvichak River between Iliamna Lake and a line between the north banks of the mouths of the Alagnak River and Bear Creek..... No open season.

Fur district 5.....	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31.
Fur district 6 (see exception).....	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31.

Exception: In the Clearwater area as described in s. 46.206, or in the Chena River and its tributary sloughs from its confluence with the Little Chena River to the Tanana River..... No open season.

Fur district 7.....	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31.
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#### Bear, polar:

Fur districts 5 and 8.....	No closed season.
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#### Coyote, marmot, squirrel, wolverine, wolf:

Fur districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.....	No closed season.
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Alaska (continued)

Open season

Fox, land otter, lynx, mink weasel:

Fur district 1..... Dec. 16 - Jan. 15.

Fur district 2 (see exception)..... Nov. 16 - Jan. 31.

Exception: In the area bounded by the drainage into

Tbek Creek on the east and including the entire  
drainage into Prince William Sound to Cape Puget  
on the west, or on Montague, Hinchinbrook and all

other islands within the area..... No open season.

Fur districts 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 (see exception)..... Nov. 16 - Jan. 31.

Exception: White fox..... Dec. 1 - Mar. 15.

Fur district 8..... Dec. 1 - Mar. 15.

Marten:

Fur district 1..... No open season.

Fur district 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 (see exception)..... Nov. 16 - Jan. 31.

Exception: On the Kenai Peninsula..... No open season.

Muskrat:

Fur districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8..... Nov. 16 - May 31.

Bag limits: Beaver 10 a season, polar bear, 2 a season and others, no limit.

Trapping methods: May be taken by any means, except by means, aid or use of a set gun, a shotgun, artificial light of any kind, a steel bear trap or other trap with jaws having a spread exceeding 9 inches, poison, a dog (except wolves and coyotes in fur districts 5, 6, 7 and 8), a fish trap or net, or by setting any trap or snare within 25 feet of a beaver home or den or within 100 feet of a fox den, or by use of smoke or chemicals, or by destroying or disturbing homes, houses, dens, dams, or runways of such animals; Provided that mink may be taken only by means of a steel trap or snare and that beaver may be taken only by means of a steel trap or snare and by persons over the age of eleven years, and wolves and coyotes may be killed at any time by means of a rifle, shotgun, or pistol, by any person permitted to carry firearms; and Provided Further, that no aircraft shall be used in aid of taking fur-bearing animals except as a means of transportation from a settlement or point of outfitting to a single base camp, and except in the taking of wolves and coyotes by authorized predator control agents or under authority of a permit.

Possession and sale: No restrictions on prime skins legally taken, except that beaver skins must be presented to an enforcement agent or other officer authorized by the Alaska Game Commission for sealing within 30 days after close of the season.

Shipment and export: No restrictions on skins legally taken, but no person who is engaged in fur farming or is a fur dealer shall possess or transport furs without a license. Packages containing furs must be marked to show contents in detail and the names and addresses of consignors and consignees, and shipper must deliver to freight or express agent or postmaster at shipping point, a statement showing contents of package and that no illegal or unsealed beaver skins are contained therein. Shipment of unsealed beaver skins is prohibited.

## Alaska (continued)

Licenses: Resident, trapping, \$3. Trapping license is not required of native Indians or Eskimos, nor of residents under 16 years of age. Nonresident; general hunting, trapping, and game fishing, \$50. Fur farm, \$2. Alien, special hunting, trapping, and fishing, \$100. Fur Dealer: (a) Resident, \$10; or association or co-partnership of residents organized under laws of the Territory, \$10 for each individual; (b) non-resident but citizen or national of the United States, or corporation, association, or co-partnership composed of citizens or nationals of the United States organized under the laws of the Territory or of a state of the United States, any member of which is a nonresident, \$100; (c) alien, or corporation, association, or co-partnership, not organized under laws of the Territory or of a State of the United States, any stockholder or member of which is an alien, \$500; (d) resident of the Territory and agent in charge of a station of a fur dealer of either of the classes (a), (b), or (c), or a resident itinerant agent of such dealer, \$10; (e) nonresident of the Territory but a citizen or national of the United States and agent in charge of a station of either of the classes (a), (b), or (c), or a nonresident citizen or national itinerant agent, \$100; (f) alien and agent in charge of a station of either of the classes (a), (b), or (c), or an alien itinerant agent, \$500. Provided, no license shall be issued to any agent whose principal has not procured a license in accordance with (a), (b), or (c).

## ARIZONA

Consult Game and Fish Commission, Arizona State Building, Phoenix, Arizona. Data not available when Abstract was prepared.

## ARKANSAS

### Open season

Beaver, bear, otter.....	No open season.
Other fur animals, including fox.....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.

Possession and sale: Open season, December 1st to January 31st, inclusive. Allowed to February 10th to dispose of pelts. Dealers may get permit to hold longer. Each dealer required to furnish Game and Fish Commission itemized list on or before the tenth day after the close of each season, giving number and kind and from whom all furs are purchased during season.

Shipment and export: Shipments must be plainly marked with name, address and license number of shipper, date of shipment, also the words "Fur-pelts."

Licenses: Resident using 12 or less traps, \$1.50; using more than 12 traps, \$20. Non resident, \$50. Fur dealer: resident, \$5; nonresident, \$50.



## CALIFORNIA

### Open season

Beaver (see note), sea otter..... No open season.

Note - After September 30, 1949, beaver whenever and wherever found within the boundaries of the "Sacramento and San Joaquin Drainage District," as the boundaries of said district are defined in Chapter 170, Statutes and Amendments to the Codes, California, 1913, may at any time by anyone be taken and posses by any method whatsoever. Beaver, when damaging levees or canals may be taken under special permit issued by the Fish and Game Commission.

Coyote, opossum, raccoon, ringtail, skunk, wolf, wildcat, weasel, badger..... No closed season.

Fisher, wolverine..... No open season.

Other fur animals (see exception)..... Nov. 16 - Feb. 27.

Exception: No muskrat trapping on Colorado River lying within State of California.

Note -- Trapping license (license year, July 1-June 30) is required for trapping pine martens, minks, river otters, foxes, and muskrats for profit and cannot be killed during the closed season except when destroying property. Spike or sawtooth traps cannot be used.

Possession and sale -- No restrictions on skins legally taken.

Shipment and export -- No restrictions on skins legally taken.

Licenses -- Citizen, \$1; alien, \$2. Licensee must submit before July 1, a report of his catch, giving names and addresses of persons to whom pelts were sold or shipped.

## COLORADO

### Open season

Badger, beaver, fisher, fox, marten, mink, opossum and otter..... No open season.

Muskrat:

Below 7000 feet elevation..... Nov. 15 - Dec. 15.

Above 7000 feet elevation..... Oct. 15 - Nov. 15.

Raccoon..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

Ringtail Cat..... Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.

Weasel (see exception)..... Nov. 1 - Nov. 30.

Exception: There shall be no open season on weasel in the White River, Grand Mesa, Gunnison, Uncompahgre, Routt and San Juan national forest areas.

Possession and sale - Skins legally taken may be possessed during the open season and for 15 days thereafter. A permit is required for possession of skins by trapper and dealer 30 days after close of season. These permits expire on September 1 of the year of issue but may be renewed upon application on or before that date. The permit must accompany pelts sold by trappers or dealer whether sold within or out of the State.



Colorado (continued)

Possession and sale (continued)

If the trapper or dealer disposes of only part of the pelts covered by the permit, the original permit must accompany the pelts disposed of and an application made for a new permit to cover the remainder.

Shipment and export (see Possession and sale) - Shipping tags provided by the State Game and Fish Commission must be attached to each bundle shipped, and each bundle must show name, post office address, and license number of shipper. Licensed trappers, dealers, and all persons must obtain a shipping permit from the Commission for each shipment of furs out of the State. The permit must be attached to each bundle shipped and must show the number and kind of each pelt in the shipment, names of shipper and consignee, and license number of consignor. Licensed dealers must furnish the Commission on or before June 30 next or at any time required to do so, a written report showing number and kinds of skins purchased from trappers and the amount paid. Fur purchased from other dealers shall not be included in this report.

Licenses - Resident, \$3; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer; resident, \$25; nonresident, \$50. The Commission may require licensees to submit such reports as it may deem necessary. Special resident trappers permits are issued without charge to children under fourteen years of age of a resident landowner or farm tenant when application is made to the nearest game warden or fur inspector in writing.

CONNECTICUT

Open season

Fox, opossum, weasel.....	No closed season.
Mink, otter, skunk.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
Muskrat.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
Raccoon (season opens at sunset) (see note).....	Oct. 15 - Dec. 31.
Squirrel (gray) (see note).....	Oct. 15 - Nov. 26.

Note - Henceforth the season will open on raccoons and squirrels on the third Saturday in October and will close on squirrels on the last Saturday in November. Hunting of squirrels within the limits of the city or borough is prohibited.

Bag Limits - Gray squirrels, 5 daily, 30 season; raccoon, no bag limit; skunk, mink, and otter, no bag limits; muskrat, no bag limit.

Licenses - Resident trapping and hunting - \$6.35. Resident trapping only - \$3.35. Resident trapping for boys under sixteen years - \$1.35.

# DELAWARE

## Open season

Beaver..... No open season.  
Mink, muskrat (see exception), otter..... Dec. 1 - Mar. 10.

Exception: On embanked meadows in New Castle County muskrats may be taken until March 20.

Opossum, raccoon (see exception)..... Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.

Exception: It shall be lawful for any person or persons to trap or otherwise take raccoon from any lands in New Castle County or Kent County from the Southerly boundary limits of the City of Wilmington, and East and Southeast of the center line of U. S. Route 13, thence following said center line of the U. S. Route 13, to the point where U. S. Route 13 forms a junction with U. S. Route 113, and thence along the center line of U. S. Route 113 to a line dividing Kent County and Sussex County, during anytime of the year, excepting on Sunday.

### Squirrel:

Kent and Sussex Counties..... Sept. 15 - Nov. 1.  
New Castle County..... Oct. 1 - Nov. 15.

Bag Limit - Squirrels, 6.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that it is illegal to sell or export red foxes or red fox hides.

Licenses - Resident hunting and trapping, \$1.25; nonresident hunting and trapping, \$15.50. Aliens cannot hunt or trap except on a farm of 20 acres or more on which they reside. Fur dealer, \$5, required for purchasing all pelts except muskrat.

# FLORIDA

## Open season

Bear, bobcat, civet cat, fox, opossum, panther, skunk,  
raccoon, weasel, wildcat..... No closed season.  
Mink, otter..... Dec. 1 - Mar. 1.

Possession and sale - Skins legally taken may be possessed, bought, and sold during the open season and 30 days thereafter, but fur dealers may handle manufactured furs at any time.

Shipment and export - Skins legally taken may be shipped and exported during the open season and 30 days thereafter. Packages must show name and address of trapper.

## Florida (continued)

Licenses - Resident: State-wide \$25.50; county, \$3.25; county other than that of residence, \$10.50. License is not required of resident Confederate veterans or of other residents 65 years of age or over. Nonresident: State-wide, \$100.50; county \$25.50. Applicants for licenses must report previous year's catch. Fur dealer; Resident, \$100, and \$5 for each agent or traveling buyer; resident local dealer, \$10; nonresident, \$500, or \$100 for each agent or traveling buyer or acting as agent for nonresident buyer. Dealers and buyers must report every two weeks the names of trappers from whom pelts were purchased, their license numbers, and the number and kinds of pelts purchased.

## GEORGIA

### Open season

Beaver.....	No open season.
Fox, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, skunk, wildcat.....	Nov. 20 - Feb. 15.
Otter.....	No open season.

Possession and sale - Prohibited during the closed season. Dealers must make such reports as may be required by the Division of Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources.

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken except that the trapper must exhibit his license to the transportation agent when making shipments. Express companies must submit a report of fur shipments. Trappers and dealers must declare pelts in possession at the end of the season, and these declared pelts can be shipped at any time.

Licenses - Resident, \$3, nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer; resident, \$10; and \$5 for each agent, nonresident, \$200 and \$5 for each resident or traveling agent.

## IDAHO

### Open season

Beaver, fisher, fox, marten.....	No open season.
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Muskrat:

District 1.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.
District 2.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

District 3:

In Adams county, Boise County except the drainage of Mores creek, Valley county except Bear Valley creek and Johnson creek and their tributaries.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.
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In Ada and Canyon counties, Elmore county except the South Fork of Boise river and its drainages; Gem county; Owyhee county except Bruneau river and its tributaries above Bruneau Hot Springs; Payette and Washington counties....	Nov. 1 - Jan. 15.
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Idaho (continued)  
Muskrat (continued)

Open season

District 4:

In Lemhi and Custer counties..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.  
In Jerome, Gooding, Minidoka and Cassia counties; Camas  
county except the South Fork of Boise river and its  
tributaries; Lincoln county; and Twin Falls county except  
Salmon Falls creek and its tributaries..... Nov. 1 - Apr. 21  
Hagerman Refuge..... No open season.

District 5:

In Fremont, Clark, Jefferson, Bingham, and Madison  
counties..... Oct. 15 - Apr. 15.  
Bear River County..... Apr. 1 - Apr. 15.  
Teton County..... Oct. 15 - Oct. 30.  
Caribou county except Grays Lake and its drainages.... Nov. 1 - Nov. 30.  
and  
Apr. 1 - Apr. 15.  
Bonneville county except Grays Lake and its drainages.. Oct. 15 - Apr. 15.  
Franklin, Bannock, Oneida and Power counties..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 15.

Otter:

District 1, 2, 3, and 4..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

District 5:

Fremont, Bonneville, Clark, Jefferson, Madison and  
Teton counties..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.  
All other counties of district five..... No open season.

Raccoon:

District 1, 2, and 3..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.

District 4:

Blaine and Butte counties..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.  
Jerome, Gooding, Minidoka, Cassia, Camas, Lincoln, Lemhi,  
Custer and Twin Falls counties..... Nov. 1 - Apr. 21.

District 1 includes Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Shoshone and Benewah counties.

District 2 includes Latah, Clearwater, Nex Perce, Lewis and Idaho counties.

District 3 includes Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette,  
Valley and Washington counties.

District 4 includes Blaine, Butte, Camas, Cassia, Custer, Gooding, Jerome,  
Lemhi, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties.

District 5 includes Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Madison, Teton, Bonneville,  
Bingham, Power, Bannock, Caribou, Bear Lake, Oneida and  
Franklin counties.

Possession and sale - It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, exchange,  
ship, transfer, market, purchase, receive from another, or in any way deal with  
marten, mink, fisher or otter pelts unless the same be officially tagged by an  
authorized officer of the Idaho Fish and Game Department. Tagging of all marten,  
mink, fisher, and otter will be done by conservation officers without cost to the  
trapper, with official fur tags of the Idaho Fish and Game Department.



Idaho (continued)

Possession and sale (continued)

It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession any marten, mink, fisher or otter pelts after fourteen days from the close of the respective trapping season for said marten, mink, fisher, or otter, as set by the Fish and Game Commission, unless the same are tagged with the official fur tags of the Idaho Fish and Game Department.

Licenses - Resident, \$5; nonresident, \$75; alien, \$150. Fur buyer; resident, \$5; nonresident, \$20.

ILLINOIS

Open season

Beaver, badger, otter.....	No open season.
Mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, fox (red and gray), skunk:	
Northern zone (see exception and note).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Red and gray fox.....	No closed season.
Southern zone (see note).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
Central zone (see exception and note).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Red and gray fox.....	No closed season.
Other fur animals.....	No closed season.

Note - Northern zone comprises Henderson, Iroquois, Livingston, Knox, Peoria, Warren, and Woodford Counties, and all counties north thereof.

Southern zone comprises Bond, Crawford, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, and Madison Counties, and all counties south thereof.

Central zone comprises the rest of the State.

Bag Limit - It is unlawful for any one person to take more than twelve (12) raccoons during one open season.

Possession and sale - Possession of green hides is permitted during the open season and 20 days thereafter. Every person taking fur animals must make a sworn report each month to the Department of Conservation of all hides of fur animals taken, sold, shipped, or dealt in during November through February not later than the 5th day of the month succeeding that for which report is made. Fur buyers and tanners of green hides of fur animals are required to keep a record showing name, address, and license number of each person, within or without the State, from whom such hides are received, date of receipt, and prices paid, which record shall be open to inspection by officers of the Conservation Department, sheriffs, constables, or other police officer.

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken.

Licenses - Resident, \$2; nonresident, \$10. Fur buyers, resident, wholesaler, \$50, retailer, \$10; traveling, \$10. Fur buyer, nonresident, \$100; expiration date January 31 of each year.

# INDIANA

## Open season

Beaver..... No open season.  
 Fox..... No closed season.  
 Mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, skunk..... Nov. 15 - Jan. 15.

Bag Limit - Daily bag limit on raccoon, 2.

Possession and sale.- Fresh skins legally taken may be possessed and disposed of 5 days after close of season. Licensed fur buyers may possess untanned hides taken in the open season 60 days after close of season, and for a longer period if report showing number and kinds of skins and place of storage is made to the Director of Conservation. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

Shipment and export.-No restriction on skins legally taken, except that shipment must be labeled to show contents, and license must be exhibited to carrier.

Licenses - Resident, \$1.50; nonresident, \$15.50. Fur buyer: resident, \$10; nonresident, \$25. Nonresident jobber to purchase from licensed buyers, \$10.

# IOWA

## Open season

Badger, beaver, civet cat, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon  
 skunk..... Nov. 10 - Jan. 10.  
 Fox, weasel, wildcat, wolf, coyote..... No closed season.  
 Otter..... No open season.

Note - Open season dates are subject to change by administrative order of the State Conservation Commission.

Possession and sale - Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold during the open season and 10 days thereafter, or for a longer period under permit of the Conservation Commission. Licensed dealer may possess at any time hides legally acquired. Special permit is required for trappers to ship, transport, or sell to dealers outside the State. Green hides in process of manufacture may be possessed at any time. Dealers or buyers must, within 15 days after close of season, file with the Conservation Commission a sworn inventory of the number and kinds of skins purchased.

Shipment and export - See possession and sale. Skins of protected fur animals legally taken may be exported under permit during the open season and the first 10 days of the closed season.

Licenses - Resident, using 15 traps or less, \$1; using more than 15, 15¢ per trap, including tag. Nonresident shall be charged the same fee that the State of the applicant's residence charges a resident of Iowa for a nonresident license, providing such fee shall not be less than \$10; providing further no such license shall be issued to a resident of any State which does not grant nonresident trapping licenses. Fur dealers must be licensed; resident, \$10; nonresident license shall be determined similar to nonresident trapping license providing such shall not be less than \$50.



## KANSAS

### Open season

Badger, civet cat, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, skunk..... Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.  
Beaver (see note) otter..... No open season.

Note - The State game warden is authorized after investigation, to have taken under his supervision, as many beavers as he deems necessary for protection of property.

Fox..... No closed season.

Possession and sale - Skins legally taken may be possessed by licensed fur dealers during the first 10 days of the closed season. No other restrictions on possession and sale of skins legally taken.

Shipment and export - Skins may not be shipped except during the open season and 10 days thereafter, but licensed dealers may make shipments out of season under permit.

Licenses - Resident, \$1; nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer, resident \$10, nonresident \$25.

## KENTUCKY

### Open season

Beaver, otter..... No open season.  
Opossum, mink, raccoon, skunk, muskrat, red fox..... Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.

No person shall use a steel trap with a jaw spread of more than 5-3/4 inches, or the jaws of which have a sharp or jagged edge, or that have more than one spring for the purpose of closing the jaws or that has a spring which would normally be expected under ordinary circumstances, to exert a pressure sufficient instantly to cut through or break the leg of any wild animal protected by this chapter.

Note - Every licensed fur dealer shall issue a receipt to each person from whom he purchases furs or skins of fur animals, setting forth the number and kind of furs or skins, the date of purchase, and the price paid for each. The dealer shall make out a duplicate receipt at the same time, and obtain the signature and address on such duplicate of the person from whom the furs or skins were purchased. On or before the end of each license year the dealer shall send the duplicate receipts to the Division of Game and Fish and may be required by the Division to send in the duplicate receipts more often. Failure to send in as directed bars licensees from obtaining license for the following year.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export - Trappers, no restrictions on skins legally taken. Green hides of raccoons, opossums, skunks, muskrats, and minks may be possessed until February 15. Fur buyers, no restrictions on skins legally purchased. Green hides of raccoons, opossums, skunks, muskrats, and minks may be possessed until February 20. Fur possessors may trade and traffic in furs with licensed processors and manufacturers the year round.

Kentucky (continued)

Licenses - Resident, \$1; nonresident, \$10.50. Fur buyer: resident, \$2; nonresident, \$75.

LOUISIANA

Open season

Beaver..... No open season.  
Civet cat, mink, opossum, otter, raccoon, skunk, weasel..... Nov. 20 - Jan. 20.  
Muskrat, nutria..... Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.  
Panther, wildcat, wolf..... No closed season.

Possession and sale - Skins legally taken and possessed may be sold during the open season by licensed trappers and may be bought and sold by licensed dealers who may possess such skins during the closed season provided the records and reports required by law have been kept and submitted, but no licensee shall possess green hides or furs of any fur animals except muskrats and nutria between January 21 and November 19 inclusive.

Closed season on muskrats and nutria February 16 to November 30 inclusive.

Shipment and export - State tax (otter, 25¢; mink, nutria, 10¢; and raccoon, 5¢; all other pelts, 1¢ each) must be paid on all pelts before they are shipped or exported. No furs may be exported except by the holder of a dealer's license or by the trapper shipping his own catch. Dealer must make a sworn statement of shipments out of the State.

Licenses - Resident, \$2; nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer: resident, \$150; nonresident, \$300. Fur buyer: resident, \$25; nonresident, \$100.

MAINE

Open season

Bear..... No closed season.  
Beaver (see exception), sable..... No open season.  
Bobcat, Canada lynx..... No closed season.  
Fisher..... Jan. 1 - Jan. 31.  
Fox, otter, raccoon and skunk (see note) weasel..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 15.

Note - Raccoons and skunks may be hunted at night with dogs and with a pistol not larger than a .22 caliber, Oct. 15-Dec. 15.

Mink..... Nov. 1 - Nov. 30.  
Muskrat..... No open season.

Possession, sale, shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that beaver skins must bear the seal of the Commissioner.

License - Resident, State-wide, \$10; in organized territory, \$5; nonresident and alien, \$200. State-wide license required when season is opened on beavers \$10. Fur dealer: resident, \$25. Licensed trappers are required to make report of their catch.



## MARYLAND

### Open season

Beaver.....	No open season.
Mink, muskrat, otter.....	Jan. 1 - Mar. 15.
Raccoon, opossum.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.
Squirrel (see note).....	Sept. 15 - Sept. 30.

Note - Landowner residing on his farm lands or a tenant of said farm lands may kill any squirrel between August 15 and September 14 inclusive if said squirrel is destroying corn on said farm lands.

Possession, sale, shipment and export - Possession of green hides of muskrats is prohibited except from January 1 to March 25. Cured muskrat skins may be possessed at any time for business purposes. Out of State shipments require tags by anyone other than a licensed fur dealer, number of license of fur dealer must appear on all shipments outside of State. Shipping tags available from field personnel.

Licenses - Trapping is permitted on regular hunting license. Resident: State, \$5.25; county, \$1.25. Nonresident, \$15.50. Fur dealers: resident \$2.00, nonresident \$25.00.

## MASSACHUSETTS

Consult Commissioner, Department of Conservation, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston 8, Massachusetts. Data not available when Abstract was prepared.

## MICHIGAN

### Open season

Badger, skunk.....	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.
Bear (see note).....	Nov. 15 - Nov. 30.

Note - Bears are unprotected in some counties,

Consult conservation officer for local regulations.

Beaver and otter (open seasons, if any, to be announced by the Commission of Conservation later).

Coyote, wolf, lynx, bobcat, fox, opossum, weasel,	
squirrel (red).....	No closed season.
Fisher, marten, squirrel (black).....	No open season.
Mink, muskrat (see exceptions)	

Upper Peninsula.....	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30.
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Lower Peninsula north of townline 16 and west of

Saginaw Bay.....	Nov. 15 - Dec. 15.
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Rest of Lower Peninsula.....	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31.
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### Exceptions:

Minks may be hunted from Nov. 1 - Dec. 31 in Upper Peninsula; Nov. 1 - Jan. 13 in Lower Peninsula.

Michigan (continued)

Open season

Mink and Muskrat (continued)

Exception - (continued)

Special season on mink and muskrats, November 15 to November 21, inclusive, in that portion of the Dead Stream Area, Roscommon County, described as follows: Sections 4 and 9, west of County road; entire Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, and the N-1/2 of Section 20, all in T 23 N, R 4 W.

Special season on mink and muskrats, Dec. 1 to Jan. 31, in the following described area: Beginning at a point on the southern boundary of Michigan where it is intersected by highway U.S. 25; thence northward along highway U. S. 25 to its junction with M 56; thence along M 56 to its junction with highway No. 379; thence along highway No. 379 to its junction with Oak Street in the city of Wyandotte; thence east to the international boundary; thence southeast along the international boundary to its junction with the Ohio boundary line in Lake Erie; thence southwest along the Ohio boundary line to the place of beginning. All of Grosse Ile is included in this area.

Raccoon (see note):

Upper Peninsula.....Nov. 1 - Nov. 30.

Lower Peninsula north of townline 16 and west of

Saginaw Bay.....Nov. 15 - Dec. 15.

Rest of Lower Peninsula.....Dec. 1 - Dec. 15.

Note - Raccoons may be hunted in all the Lower

Peninsula from November 1 to December 15, and

in the Upper Peninsula from November 1 to

November 14. Nonresidents may not hunt or trap

these animals.

Squirrel (fox and gray):

Upper Peninsula.....No open season.

Lower Peninsula.....Oct. 15 - Nov. 5.

Possession and sale - Skins of fur animals in possession 5 days after close of season must be reported to the Conservation Commission. Persons selling skins of fur animals must report name and address of purchaser and number and kinds of skins sold.

Shipment and export - Dealers must have a permit to export furs. Packages must be labeled with the names and addresses of consignor and consignee.

Licenses - Resident (except for beavers and otters), \$2. Licensees must report to the Commission of Conservation not later than February 15 the number and kinds of animals taken. Special beaver license (also includes otters if there is an open season on them), \$2, and \$2 additional for seal to be attached to each skin. Nonresidents are not permitted to trap.

## MINNESOTA

	<u>Open season</u>
Badger.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 1.
Bear.....	No closed season.
Beaver, muskrat, otter (see note)	
Fisher, marten.....	No open season.
Mink (see note)	
Raccoon.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 1.
Skunk.....	No closed season.
Squirrel.....	Oct. 15 - Dec. 31.
Other fur animals.....	No closed season.

Note - Consult Department of Conservation, State Office Building, St. Paul 1, Minnesota, for seasons on beavers, muskrats, mink, and otter.

Possession and sale - Skins of protected fur bearing animals legally taken during the open season must be sealed or permit in possession within 5 days after the close of the season. Such protected fur bearing animals may be bought and sold at any time. Possession of protected fur bearing animals in closed season not sealed or having a permit is presumptive evidence they have been taken during closed season.

Shipment and export - Protected fur bearing animals sealed and having a permit may be transported at any time. When shipping furs taken under trapping license, the parcel must be plainly marked on the outside stating the name, address and license number of shipper and kind and number of skins contained in the package. The way bill or receipt issued by any common carrier to a shipper shall specify the number and species of wild animals so shipped.

Licenses - Trapping license, issued only to residents, \$3. A small game hunting license is required in addition.

Residents under 16 years of age not required to have a license to hunt and trap fur bearers except beaver or otter.

## MISSISSIPPI

	<u>Open season</u>
Beaver (see note)	
<u>Note</u> - Beaver may be taken by licensed trappers by permit from the State Game and Fish Commission.	
Mink, muskrat (exception), skunk and weasel.....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties.....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Opossum, raccoon (exception).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - The season for trapping raccoons shall be closed in Tishomingo County for a period of one year.	
Otter:	
Lauderdale, Kemper, Jones, Perry, Stone, George, Jackson, Harrison, Hancock, Clarke, Wayne, Green, Pearl River and Lamar Counties.....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
All other counties.....	No open season.



## Mississippi (continued)

Possession and sale - It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession the green pelt of any such animal except during the open season and ten days thereafter. It shall be unlawful for any person to buy, sell or to offer for sale the pelt of any fur-bearing animal knowing that same has been unlawfully taken.

Licenses - Resident, \$5.25; nonresident, \$201.

## MISSOURI

### Open season

Beaver (see note)..... No open season.

Note - Beavers, when causing damage, may be taken under special permit only.

Bobcat, coyote, wolf..... No closed season.

Civet cat, opossum, raccoon, skunk, weasel..... Dec. 1 - Jan. 15.

Fox (gray and red)..... Dec. 1 - Jan. 15.

Mink (make seasonal inquiry)

Muskrat..... Dec. 15 - Jan. 15.

Note - The State Conservation Commission, Jefferson City, advises that there may be changes effective January 1950.

Consult the Commission for verification on seasons.

Possession and sale - Possession and sale of green pelts during the closed season is prohibited. The buying season extends from December 1 to 10 days after the close of the open season. Fur dealers may traffic in furs throughout the calendar year, but fur buyers are restricted to the buying season.

Shipment and export - Shipper must show hunter's or dealer's license to the transportation company. Undried or green pelts may be shipped only during the open season, except that pelts of wolves, coyotes, and wildcats may be shipped at any time or in any condition. Dried pelts may be shipped during the open season and 10 days thereafter. Shipments must be marked with name and address of shipper, his license number, date of shipment, and nature of contents.

License - Resident: hunting and trapping (State) \$2.50; County, \$2.00. Hunting, fishing and trapping (State), \$4.00. (Nonresident not permitted to hunt or trap fur bearers. Fur dealer or buyer; resident dealer \$100; resident buyer (State), \$20; nonresident fur buyer (State) \$50.

## MONTANA

Consult State Fish and Game Warden, State Fish and Game Commission, Helena, Montana. Data not available when Abstract was prepared.



# NEBRASKA

	Open season
Badger, civet cat, skunk.....	Nov. 15 - Jan. 15.
Beaver.....	No open season.
Coyote.....	No closed season.
Fox.....	Jan. 1 - Dec. 31.
Muskrat and mink:	
Area 1.....	Nov. 15 - Mar. 1.
Area 2.....	Nov. 15 - Jan. 15.
Note -- Area 1 includes: Authur, Banner, Blaine, Box Butte, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Dawes, Garden, Garfield, Grant, Holt, Hooker, Keya, Paha, Logan, Loup, MaPherson, Morrill, Rock, Scotts, Bluff, Sheridan, Sioux, Thomas and Wheeler Counties.	
Area 2 includes: Adams, Antelope, Boone, Buffalo, Burt, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Chase, Cheyenne, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawson, Deuel, Dixon, Dodge, Douglas, Dundy, Fillmore, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Gosper, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Howard, Jefferson, Johnson, Kearney, Keith, Kinball, Knox, Lancaster, Lincoln, Madison, Merrick, Nance, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Pawnee, Perkins, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Saline, Sarpy, Saunders, Seward, Sherman, Stanton, Thayer, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, and York Counties.	
Raccoon and opossum.....	Oct. 1 - Mar. 1.

Possession and sale -- Fox, badger, mink, skunk, civet, raccoon, opossum, and muskrat, possession at any time, no limit. All fur must be disposed of within ten days after the close of the season. Any individual buying raw fur must have a fur buyer's permit and keep records in the fur book furnished by the Game Department.

Shipment and export-- All fur shipped directly out of the state must be tagged by a tag available at any place of purchase of permits. Half of the tag is to be filled out in full and mailed to the Game Department at the time of shipping. Additional tags may be obtained by writing to the Game Department.

Licenses-- Resident, \$2.50; nonresident taking one thousand or less fur bearing animals shall pay a permit fee in the amount of \$1.00 and \$5 additional for each additional one hundred or part of one hundred fur bearing animals.

# NEVADA

## Open season

Badger, fisher, fox (red, silver, and swift), marten, mink, muskrat, raccoon, wolverine.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
Beaver, otter.....	No open season.
Bobcat, coyote, lynx, mountain lion, skunk, weasel, wolf.....	No closed season.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export— Beaver and otter to be taken only by State Commission.

Licenses— Resident, \$1.00; nonresident and aliens, \$10. Additional license required to trap mink or muskrat. Residents over 18, \$10; nonresident and aliens over 16, \$100.

# NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Open season

Beaver - Open season at the discretion of the director and commission.	
Fisher, marten, raccoon, sabel.....	No open season.
Fox.....	No closed season.
*Lynx (Bounty).....	Not protected.
Mink, muskrat, otter and skunk:	
Coos, Carroll and Grafton counties.....	Oct. 20 - Feb. 1.
All other counties.....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1.
Weasel.....	Not protected.
*Wildcat (Bounty).....	Not protected.

\* Lynx and wildcat bounty collected through conservation officer in locality where animal is killed.

Licenses— Trapping licenses sold only through the office of the Director of fish and game at Concord.

# NEW JERSEY

## Open season

Beaver (see note).....	Feb. 1 - Feb. 28.
Note - May only be trapped under special permit obtained from Council.	

Mink, muskrat and otter.....	Nov. 30 - Mar. 15.
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Note - No cage trap, metal box trap, or diving trap shall be permitted on any of the State Public Hunting and Fishing Grounds, and no trap of any kind shall be set anywhere on any of the State Public Hunting and Fishing Grounds unless it bears a metal tag containing the name and address of the owner of the trap. No trap of any kind shall be permitted to remain set on any property at the close of the trapping season.

Licenses - Resident, \$3.15; nonresident and alien, \$15.50.

# NEW MEXICO

## Open season

Badger, civet cat, coati mundi, fox, masked ferret,  
raccoon, ring-tailed cat, weasel..... Oct. 1 - Mar. 31.  
Beaver (see note)..... No open season.

Note - Permits may be issued for the capture of  
beavers interfering with the operation of  
canals, ditches, or dams, or causing or threaten-  
ing the destruction of private property, but the  
skins of beavers so taken must be turned over to  
the State for sale.

Mink, marten..... No open season.  
Muskrat..... Jan. 15 - Feb. 28.

Possession, sale, shipment and export - The legally taken skins of fur  
bearers above listed may be possessed, sold, shipped, and exported without  
permit. No other restrictions on skins legally taken except that a permit  
fee (\$1.25) is required for the export of bears.

Licenses - Trapping licenses required for taking above listed fur bearers.  
Resident, \$1.10; nonresident, \$20.10; fur dealer: resident, \$5, nonresident,  
\$50. Nonresident non-game \$10.00.

# NEW YORK

## Open season

Beaver, fisher, otter:  
Northern zone and Southern zone (exception)..... No open season.  
Exception - No open season except by Department  
order.  
Fox, weasel..... No closed season.  
Mink: (see note)  
Northern zone..... Oct. 25 - Jan. 31.  
Southern zone..... Nov. 5 - Mar. 15.  
Muskrat: (see note)  
Northern zone..... Mar. 1 - Apr. 20.  
Southern zone (exception)..... Feb. 1 - Mar. 20.  
Exception - Unless extended by Department order.  
Raccoon, skunk:  
Southern zone..... Oct. 29 - Jan. 24.  
Sable or Marten:  
Northern and Southern zones..... No open season.

Note - Trapping of muskrats prohibited in Washington County.  
Expiration indefinite. No open season for trapping mink and  
muskrats during the year 1949 in Richmond County.

Northern zone - North of tracks of N.Y.C.R.R. from Oswego to Syracuse and  
north of tracks of N.Y.C. and B&A R.R. from Syracuse to Massachusetts boundary.  
Southern zone - Elsewhere in State.



## New York (continued)

Possession and sale - The head, skin or hide and feet of quadrupeds legally taken and possessed, may be bought and sold at any time.

Prohibited - (1) Buy or sell the carcass of a fur-bearer unless the skins or hide is removed therefrom. (2) Buy or sell the skin or hide of any fur bearing animal while attached to the carcass.

Licenses - Resident \$2.25; nonresident and alien, \$25. Licensees are required to report the number and species of animal taken during the previous season.

## NORTH CAROLINA

	<u>Open season</u>
Beaver.....	No open season.
Mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon (exception).....	Nov. 15 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exceptions</u> - Currituck and Dare Counties.....	Dec. 15 - Feb. 28.
In and south of Scotland, Hoke Harnett, Sampson, Wayne, Lenoir, Craven and Pamlico Counties.....	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28.
Muskrats may be trapped in Ashe, Alleghany, Watauga Counties.....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.
Raccoons may not be trapped in and west of Caswell, Alamance, Randolph, Montgomery and Anson Counties.	
Otter (exception).....	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Trapping of otter is prohibited in and west of Warren, Franklin, Wake, Chatham, Lee, Moore and Richmond Counties.	

Note - It shall be unlawful to hunt or take upland birds or animals, or trap within 500 yards of the high water level during a flood period.

Licenses - State resident; \$3.25; County, \$2.25; Nonresident, \$25.25.

## NORTH DAKOTA

	<u>Open season</u>
Badger (see note).....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.
Beaver (exception).....	No open season.
<u>Exception</u> - If beavers become so numerous that a limited number may be taken without seriously depleting the species; the Game and Fish Commissioner may issue a permit to the landowner to take them on his premises.	

Mink, weasel (see note).....	Nov. 15 - Feb. 15.
Muskrat (see note).....	Dec. 1 - Dec. 13.
Skunk (see note).....	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28.
Raccoon (see note).....	Oct. 1 - Feb. 15.

Note - Subject to change by Game and Fish Commission.

Possession and sale - Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold at any time.



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North Dakota (continued)

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken, except on those of beavers, on which the licensee must, within 10 days, report the number taken and procure a tag (fee 25¢) for each pelt. Tagged beavers or pelts may be possessed, bought, sold, or transported at any time under regulations.

Licenses - Resident hunting license, \$1.50; resident trapping license, \$1; nonresident hunting or trapping license, \$25. Fur dealer: resident, \$5 for each place of business in the State; resident traveling agent or buyer, \$15; nonresident, \$25.

OHIO

Open season

Fox (red and gray).....	No closed season.
Mink (see exception).....	Nov. 15 - Jan. 15.
Muskrat (see exception).....	Nov. 15 - Jan. 15.
<u>Exception</u> - Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Erie, Lake, Huron, Geauga, Lorain, Lucas, Ottawa, and Sandusky Counties.....	
Opossum, raccoon (see note) skunk.....	Nov. 15 - Mar. 15.
	Nov. 15 - Jan. 15.

Note - Raccoons may be taken only between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. E.S.T., except on November 15 when they shall not be taken before 6 p.m. A person or party may not take more or have in their possession more than 2 at a time. The use of climbers or other tree-climbing devices in the taking of fur animals is prohibited.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export - Skins legally taken may be possessed, sold, shipped, and transported at any time. Packages must be marked to show contents, initial point of billing, and names and addresses of consignor and consignee.

Licenses - Resident, \$1.25; nonresident, \$15.25; fur dealer: resident, no charge, nonresident and agents, \$50. Fur dealer or buyer is required to submit a report within 30 days after close of season on all skins bought which were taken within the State and shipped out of the State or sold within the State. Resident landowner or tenant of at least one year may hunt or trap thereon without a license.

OKLAHOMA

Open season

Beaver, marten, otter and sable.....	No open season.
Other fur animals.....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.

Possession and sale - It is illegal to possess or sell pelts except during the open season and 25 days thereafter.

Oklahoma (continued)

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that shipment must be made during the open season or within 25 days thereafter.

Licenses - Resident, \$1.25; not more than 10 traps, professional, \$50; nonresident, \$250. Fur dealer: resident, \$15; nonresident, \$50. Licensed trappers are required to report their catch. Licensed fur dealers are required to report season's purchases.

OREGON

Open season

Badger, civet cat, skunk, weasel.....	No closed season.
Beaver, fisher, ring-tailed cat, marten.....	No open season.
Mink, muskrat, otter.....	Nov. 15 - Feb. 15.
Raccoon.....	Nov. 15 - Oct. 15.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export - Fur animals legally taken within or out of the State may be possessed and sold at any time, but the burden of proving legal taking is on the trapper. Skins legally taken may be shipped at any time.

Licenses - Resident, hunting, \$3; nonresident, hunting, \$25.00. Trapping license for mink, raccoon, otter, and muskrat; resident, \$6; hunting license is required for trapping of predatory animals. Fur dealer, \$10. Fur dealer is required to submit a report not later than January 10 on all pelts acquired.

PENNSYLVANIA

Open season

Beaver (exception) (see note).....	Feb. 15 - Mar. 1.
<u>Exception</u> - Allegheny, Beaver, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Somerset, Washington and Westmorland .....	No open season.

Note - Nonresidents may not trap beavers. One person may set, tend or operate 10 traps only. Traps must not be set on the structure of any beaver dam or house, or within 25 feet of the waterline on the structure of either thereof. Tags must be kept above ice or waterline to facilitate identification without disturbing traps. Pelts must be tagged within 10 days after season, and may not be sold or otherwise disposed of until properly tagged. Present them to Protector in District of County where trapped.

Mink, otter.....	Nov. 10 - Feb. 1.
Muskrat.....	Jan. 1 - Feb. 1.
Raccoon (see note).....	Nov. 10 - Feb. 1.

Note - Traps shall not be placed, staked, or set before 7 a.m. on the first day of the open seasons for furbearers and raccoons. Trapping closes at 12 o'clock noon on last day. Traps must be tagged with metal name tags.

Skunk.....	Nov. 10 - Feb. 1.
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Pennsylvania (continued)

Possession and sale - It is unlawful to have in possession the green pelt of a raccoon or of any fur animals except during the open season therefore and for 10 days thereafter.

Shipment and export - Cured skins of raccoons and bears legally taken may be shipped at any time. Packages containing furs must be marked to show contents, and name and address of owner. Raw furs shipped out of the State must be tagged (fee 25¢).

License - Resident, \$2; nonresident or alien, \$15. Fur dealer: resident, \$10; nonresident, \$100.

RHODE ISLAND

Open season

Mink, muskrat, otter (exception).....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Exception - Providence, Kent, and Washington Counties..	Nov. 15 - Feb. 1.
Raccoon (exception).....	Nov. 15 - Feb. 1.
Exception - Bristol and Newport Counties.....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 1.

Note - Any person or persons who shall remove or attempt to remove a muskrat, raccoon, mink, otter, or skunk from any hole in the ground, from any stone wall, from within any ledge or from under any stone, from any den or house or from any hole in any log or tree by digging, smoking or otherwise; and whoever shall set a trap within 18 feet from the outside diameter of a muskrat house shall be punished.

Possession and sale - The possession of a green pelt or any part thereof by any person, except during the open season for such animal and for 10 days thereafter, shall be prima facie evidence that such pelt or part thereof was unlawfully taken and possessed.

Licenses - Resident, \$2.00; resident under 15 years of age no fee shall be charged. Nonresident, \$15.00.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Open season

Fur bearing animals may be trapped from Thanksgiving Day (November 24, 1949) to March 1, 1950, inclusive. Trapping license \$10.00 secured from County Game Wardens in Zone One. Zone One includes Pickens, Oconee and Greenville Counties.

In Zone Five it shall be lawful to set steel traps for the purpose of catching raccoon, opossum, wild cat and otter from January 2, of each year to the first day of March, of each year in Wateree Swamp and on Poinsett Area, such trapping on Poinsett Area to be subject to such rules and restrictions as may be provided by the Board in charge of said area in Sumter County, but at all other times it shall be unlawful.



# SOUTH DAKOTA

## Open season

Badger.....	Oct. 1 - Sept. 30.
Mink (exception).....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 15.
<u>Exception</u> - Custer, Lawrence, Fall River, Pennington and Shannon Counties.....	
	Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.
Muskrat:	
In Custer, Fall River, Pennington and Shannon Counties.	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31.
In Lawrence, Meade, Stanley, Sully, Hughes, Lyman, Tripp, Gregory, Brule, Jerauld, Aurora, Davison, Edmunds, Kingsbury, Brookings, Hamlin, Deuel, Moody, Clay and Union Counties.....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Opossum:	
In Yankton and Bon Homme Counties.....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 15.
Raccoon.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.
Skunk.....	Nov. 1 - Oct. 31.

Possession and sale - Raw furs may be had in possession after the close of the season provided such furs are checked with a game warden within ten days after the close of the season. Fur dealers are required to have license to purchase skins of any furbearing animal.

Licenses - \$2.00 (available to residents only). License required of all persons 15 years of age or over except persons trapping on lands occupied by them.

# TENNESSEE

## Open season

Trapping season for all furbearers, other than the exceptions noted below will be.....Nov. 15 - Jan. 31.

Beaver, otter.....No open season.  
Bobcat, weasel, grey fox.....No closed season.

Possession and sale - It shall be unlawful to sell or to offer for sale the carcasses of any game or furbearing animal.

# TEXAS

## Open season

Badger, civet cat, ringtail cat, otter, skunk (see exceptions and note).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exceptions</u> - Cherokee county, steel traps, permitted...	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Cottle County.....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Shelby County, if traps or deadfall used..	No open season.
Beaver (see exception and note).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Brewster, Culberson, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Kimble, Maverick, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Terrell, and Val Verde Counties.....	Jan. 1 - Jan. 15.
Anderson, Henderson Counties.....	No open season.
Shelby (if traps and deadfall used).....	No open season.

Texas (continued)

Open season

Bobcat, cougar, coyote, mountain and Mexican lion, ocelot, weasel, wildcat, wolf.....	No closed season.
Mink, raccoon (see exception and note).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Cherokee and Cottle County.....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Shelby.....	No open season.
Muskrat (see exception and note).....	Nov. 15 - Mar. 15.
<u>Exception</u> - Brewster, Culberson, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, and Terrell Counties.....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
Cherokee County .....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Cottle County.....	Nov. 15 - Apr. 1.
Shelby.....	No open season.
<u>Note</u> - Muskrats may be taken by persons on own premises at any time by any means.	
Opossum (see exception).....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
<u>Exception</u> - Cherokee County.....	Dec. 15 - Jan. 15.
Cottle County.....	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.
Sabine and San Augustine Counties.....	No closed season.
Shelby County.....	No open season.
<u>NOTE</u> - Communicate with the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Austin, for information on counties having additional local season, on bag limits, and on means and methods of catching.	

Possession and sale - With certain exceptions, pelts taken during the open season may be possessed and sold at any time, but the possession of undried pelts later than 15 days after the close of the season is prima facie evidence of illegal taking. A trapper is allowed 15 days immediately following the open season for drying pelts taken during such season. It is illegal to purchase on the land of another, muskrats taken on such land, except from the owner or his agent. No restrictions on possession of skins for personal use if legally taken.

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken.

Licenses - Resident, \$1; nonresident, \$200. Fur buyer: wholesale, \$25; retail, \$5. Fur dealers must submit a sworn report not later than the 10th of each month showing number and kinds of pelts purchased and shipped out of the State the preceding month. A resident license costing \$50 is required of persons to trap beavers and otters outside the county of their residence.

UTAH

Open season

Beaver (see note), otter.....	No open season.
<u>Note</u> - Beavers damaging farms or other property may be trapped under authorization of the State Fish and Game Commission.	

Utah (continued)

Open season

Marten, mink, muskrats, (exception), raccoon..... Oct. 15 - Dec. 15.  
Feb. 15 - Apr. 1.

Exception - Muskrats doing actual damage to property  
may be destroyed or trapped at any season without  
license by owner or tenant.

Predatory animals..... No closed season.

Note - The Commission may close all or part of seasons when it is deemed  
advisable.

Possession and sale - Skins of fur animals legally taken may be possessed  
and sold at any time, but green pelts may be possessed only during the open  
season and 15 days thereafter. Skins of beavers taken under authorization  
of the State Fish and Game Commission must be turned over to the Commission  
for sale. Possession of untagged beaver and otter skins is prohibited.

Shipment and export - Furs legally taken and possessed may be shipped  
and exported at any time, but shipment and export of untagged beaver skins  
are prohibited.

Licenses - No person shall hunt or trap for fur-bearing animals without  
having first obtained a state trapper's license from the director. For the  
purpose of this title the following shall be considered fur-bearing animals:  
Otter, mink, marten, raccoon, muskrat and beaver.

Resident, \$5. Nonresident, is not permitted to trap.

VERMONT

Open season

Beaver (see note) Director may declare open season  
during any part of the months of January, February and  
March.

Note - Skins must be exhibited to warden and tagged  
within 10 days after open season. Tagging fee \$2.00  
per skin. Taking beaver restricted to residents only.

Fox..... Oct. 25 - Feb. 14.

Note - Franklin County: Trapping prohibited except  
in Town of Swanton when fox may be taken any time.

Mink, marten, and otter..... Oct. 25 - Feb. 14.

Muskrat (see exception)..... Oct. 25 - Apr. 19.

Exception - Lamoille County..... Oct. 25 - Feb. 14.

Orleans County..... Oct. 25 - Nov. 30.

Addison and Rutland Counties..... Jan. 1 - Apr. 19.

Note - A person who traps for fur-bearing or noxious animals other than  
bear, within twelve hours shall notify the owner of enclosed lands on which  
he has set traps of the number and location of such traps and shall visit  
his traps at least once in every twenty-four hours. A person shall not set  
a metal trap on lands other than his own which does not have his name and  
address permanently and legibly stamped or engraved thereon, or on a tag of  
rustless material securely attached thereto.



## Vermont (continued)

Possession and sale - Possession of fur animals during the close season is prohibited, but furs or skins of animals legally taken may be possessed, bought or sold at any time. Beaver skins must be tagged and marked within ten days of the close season.

Shipment and export - Shipments must be tagged to show number and kinds of animals or skins, consignor and consignee, station from which shipped, and destination. No other restrictions on shipment of skins legally taken.

Licenses - Trapping: resident, \$1.75; nonresident \$50. Fur buyer: resident, \$2; nonresident, \$50. Fur buyers are required to keep records of purchases and sales and file report on same at the end of license year.

## VIRGINIA

### Open season

Beaver, raccoon.....	No open season.
Mink (exception).....	Dec. 15 - Jan. 31.
Exception - Buchanan County.....	No closed season.
Muskrat, otter.....	Dec. 15 - Feb. 28.
Opossum.....	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31.
Skunk, weasel, wildcat.....	No closed season.

Note - It is unlawful to trap with steel traps except when done on land by its owner, members of his or her household, tenants, or those having permission to do so from the landowner or his or her agent.

Possession, sale, shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken and possessed.

Licenses - Resident, State, \$20; County, \$3; nonresident, \$50.

## WASHINGTON

### Open season

Beaver, fisher.....	No open season.
Marten, (see notes).....	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31.
Other Fur Animals.....	Nov. 13 - Jan. 15.

Notes - It is unlawful to trap muskrats in muskrat mounds or houses. It is lawful to trap fur animals within the boundaries of Lake Washington, Little Spokane, and Burnt Bridge Creek game reserves from Nov. 13, 1949 to Jan. 15, 1950, both dates inclusive.

It is unlawful for any person to shoot fur animals except raccoons with any firearms whatsoever.

Raccoon classified as a game animal; may be taken at any time by a license holder, no limit.

The taking of martens during this special season is open to all licensed trappers who must strictly abide by the following requirements.

Washington (continued)

Notes (continued)

It is unlawful for any trapper to use more than 36 traps.

Within 13 days after the close of the lawful open season on martens, each trapper must present his skins for tagging and inspection to the local game protector in the area in which he traps; and at that time the game protector must tag each skin. It is unlawful to sell any marten skin not so tagged, and on and after Jan. 15, 1950, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess any marten skins not so tagged.

No bag limit.

Possession, sale, shipment, export and licenses - Correspond with the State Game Commission, 509 Fairview North, Seattle, Washington.

WEST VIRGINIA

Open season

Beaver (see note)..... Jan. 26 - Feb. 15.

Note - Trapping restricted to residents only. Trapping by permit only on beavers causing damage to crops.

Fox (gray)..... No closed season.

Fox (red) (see exceptions)..... No closed season.

Exception - Trapping unlawful in Clay, Calhoun, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Jackson, Lewis, Lincoln Pleasant Counties.

Mink, muskrat..... Dec. 1 - Feb. 15.

Raccoon..... Nov. 1 - Jan. 14.

Skunk, opossum..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 15.

Bag limit - Raccoons, 2 a day per individual, or group hunting together. Beaver 4 a day. Other species, no bag limit.

Possession and sale - Possession permitted during the open season only, but fresh skins may be possessed for 10 days after close of season. No restrictions on sale of skins legally taken and possessed.

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken and possessed.

Licenses - Resident, \$2; nonresident, \$15 (calendar year 1949) \$25, (1950). Trapping license for beaver, resident state-wide, \$2. Fur dealer: resident, state-wide, \$10; county, \$1; nonresident, \$50; agent, \$2.50. Fur dealer must submit an annual report of all transactions.

## WISCONSIN

Consult the Wisconsin Conservation Department, State Office Building, Madison 2, Wisconsin for information.

## WYOMING

### Open season

Badger, bobcat, civet, coyote, mountain lion, lynx, raccoon, skunk, weasel, wolf (classed as predators) (Note)..... No closed season.  
Note - Permit necessary on Forest.  
Beaver (see note) (Outside National Forests)..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.  
and Jan. 1 - May 31.

Note - Seasons practiced but not established by

order. Beavers may be taken only by landowners or lessees under permit of the State Game Warden, and pelts so taken must be tagged with "Beaver Tag" and "Protected Animal Tag" fee 50¢ each.

Mink (see note)..... Nov. 10 - Dec. 31.

Note - In all areas within the State not included within National Forest boundaries.

Exception - Open season on all fur animals from November 10 through December 20 within all National Forest areas situated within Teton, Lincoln, Sublette, Fremont and Park Counties, except that portion of the Targhee National Forest situated within Teton County, which shall be closed to trapping.

Possession, sale, shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken except that nonresident buyers are required to have a license for purchase or collection of any fur including beaver. No exportation permit required.

Licenses - Resident, \$3; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer; resident, \$10; nonresident, \$100. Predator license on National Forest Lands only, \$1.



# C A N A D A

## ALBERTA

### Open season

Badger (see note)..... No closed season.

Note - Any person may at any time, without any license or permit, hunt, take or kill any Badger, except in that part of the Province comprising the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9.

Beaver (see note)..... Apr. 1 - May 15.

Note - Holders of a certificate of registration of a trap-line or area.

Fox..... Nov. 1 - Jan. 14.

Lynx..... Dec. 1 - Feb. 28.

Marten (see note)..... Dec. 1 - Jan. 14.

Note - The holder of a Registered trap-line or area situated in that portion of the Province lying to the west of the Fifth Meridian, may hunt or trap not more than 8 marten on the registered trap-line or area held by him, between the first day of December and the fifteenth day of January following, (both dates inclusive), provided, however, that when a trap-line or area is held in a partnership, only 8 marten may be taken from any such trap-line or area.

Mink..... Nov. 14 - Feb. 28.

Muskrat (see note)..... Nov. 15 - May 15.

Note - Special Permits may be issued to the holders of a Certificate of Registration of a trap-line or trapping area, to hunt or trap muskrats between the fifteenth day of November and the fifteenth day of May following (both dates inclusive) on such Registered trap-line or trapping area, where it is shown upon investigation by a Game Officer that there exists within the limits of such trap-line or trapping area, muskrats in sufficient numbers as to warrant the issuance of a Special Permit.

Otter..... Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.

Red Squirrel..... Nov. 14 - Feb. 28.

Possession and sale - No person either by himself, or his clerk, servant or agent, shall buy, sell, deal, barter, solicit or traffic in the skin, pelt, or part thereof, of any fur bearing animal, or conduct any sale of such skin, pelt, or part thereof, either by tender or by auction, or being a furrier shall acquire any skin, pelt, or part thereof, of any fur-bearing animal for the purpose of manufacture, or being a tanner shall receive any skin, pelt, or part thereof, of any fur-bearing animal for processing in any manner whatsoever, without having first obtained a license under this Act authorizing him so to do.

Alberta (continued)

Shipment and export - No agent of any express company or other common carrier shall receive for transportation beyond the boundaries of the Province any big game, game birds or skins or pelts of fur-bearing animals, or parts thereof, unless the same be accompanied by and the transportation thereof authorized by an export permit issued under authority of the Department of Lands and Mines, "The Game Act, 1946".

Licenses- Resident trapper's license, \$3; Indian trapper's license, free; Metis trapper's license, free; registered trap-line or trapping area, \$10; permit for forest and game preserve resident to keep traps, free.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Open season

Eastern District (see note)

Beaver, muskrat:

North of the 51st parallel of north latitude

and in the Yale and Kamloops Electoral Districts. Mar. 1 - May 15.

Otter (except sea otter) (see exception).....Mar. 1 - Apr. 30.

Exception - North main line CPR.....Nov. 1 - May 15.

All other fur animals (except badger).....Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

Western District (see note)

All fur animals (except sea otter and badger)

(see exception)

North of 51st parallel of north latitude..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

South of 51st parallel of north latitude..... Dec. 1 - Feb. 28.

Exception - Beaver, muskrat, and otter (except sea otter) in that part of the Lillooet

Electoral District lying east of a line

running north and south of the Alta Lake Railway

Station on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and

including the Watershed of the Upper Lillooet River. Dec. 1 - Apr. 30.

Beaver on Queen Charlotte Island..... No open season.

Sea otter..... No open season.

Note - The western District comprises that part of the province that lies west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains and south of the Atlin Electoral District, except that part of the Skeena Electoral District that is in the watershed of Lakelse and Zymagotitz Rivers.

The Eastern District comprises the rest of the Province.

Possession and sale - It is illegal to sell pelts of fur animals taken in the closed season or to possess unprime pelts. Possession of pelts legally taken is permitted during the open season and 14 days thereafter (1 month north of the 52nd parallel.). Special permit is required for possession at other times. All beaver pelts must be tagged and no beaver can be trapped even though open season is proved unless permit to do so is first obtained from Game Commission or its authorized agent.

## British Columbia (continued)

Shipment and export - Shipment and export are allowed under permit, and royalties must be paid in full on all furs exported or shipped to tanner within the Province. Packages must be prepared so they can be easily opened for inspection or labeled with full description of contents and the names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and must be accompanied by an export permit. Importation of live animals is prohibited except under permit.

### MANITOBA

#### Open season

#### North of the 53 parallel:

Beaver.....	No open season.
Fox (Arctic, blue, and white).....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.
Mink.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
Muskrat.....	Apr. 1 - May 11.
Otter.....	Nov. 1 - Apr. 30.

#### South of the 53 parallel:

Badger.....	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.
Beaver, otter.....	No open season.

Exception - Otter east of Lake Winnipeg to the Ontario boundary, and north of the Winnipeg River to the 53rd parallel, and in the Whiteshell Forest Reserve north of the Whiteshell Game Preserve.....

Fox.....	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.
Mink.....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.
Muskrat (see exception).....	Apr. 1 - Apr. 24.

Exception - South of the 53rd parallel east of Lake Winnipeg and the Bloodvein River.....

Apr. 2 - May 11.

Shipment and export - Export of the skins of all fur animals is prohibited unless shipment is accompanied by a permit and has attached a declaration of the number and kinds of skins contained. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

Licenses - Resident trapper, \$2. Fur dealer: restricted, \$10; general, \$25; auction, \$100; traveling, \$25.

### NEW BRUNSWICK

#### Open season

Beaver (see note)..... No open season.

Note - No person shall set a trap or snare closer than 100 feet to any beaver dam, house or pond.

Fisher, marten..... No open season.

Fox (see note)..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

Note - Digging of fox homes or burrows prohibited.

Mink, otter and raccoon..... Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.



Muskrat (see note)

Westmorland, Albert, St. John, Charlotte,  
including Grand Manan, Kings, Queens,  
Sunbury and York (south of St. John River)  
counties..... Apr. 1 - Apr. 30.

Kent, Northumberland, Gloucester, Restigouche,  
Madawaska, Victoria, Carleton and York (north  
of St. John River) counties..... Apr. 1 - May 25.

Note - Shooting of muskrat or digging out homes or  
search burrows prohibited.

Rabbit..... Oct. 1 - Feb. 28.

Note -- No hunting allowed at any time with dog or  
hounds except by special permit.

Possession and sale - A bona fide resident of the Province does not require a license to sell raw furs legally killed or taken by himself, provided that such raw furs are sold to the holder of a non-resident or resident fur dealer's license. All hunters of game must report to the Chief Game Warden immediately after the close of the open season stating the number of game animals killed. Penalty for not reporting, \$10 to \$50. The license or unused tags need not be returned as formerly.

Shipment and export - Raw furs must be stamped by an officer of the Department, royalty paid, and shipping permit secured before the same are allowed to be exported out of the Province (exception: ranch-raised mink, cross, patch, and silver black foxes). All game meat, hides, and heads must be tagged for transportation. The Federal government controls the export of game by non-resident hunters and arrangements must be made with the Dominion Customs Officers at ports of exit. See instructions on license.

Licenses- Trapping: Nonresident, \$100; residents do not require a license to trap. Fur dealers: nonresident, \$100; resident, \$25.

## NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

Open seasonFox (including Arctic and colored)

North of timber-line..... Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.

South of timber-line..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

Lynx..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 15.

Mink, fisher..... Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.

Marten..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

Otter

North of Arctic Circle..... No open season.

South of Arctic Circle..... Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

Muskrat

In that part of Mackenzie District situated to the  
east of the height of land on the east side of the  
East Channel of the Mackenzie River north of a  
straight line between Point Separation on the  
Mackenzie River and the junction of the Anderson and  
Carnwath Rivers and west of the Anderson River.... Mar. 1 - June 20.

Northwest Territories (continued)Open seasonMuskrat (continued)

Elsewhere north of the Arctic Circle.....	Mar. 1 - June 15.
South of the Arctic Circle.....	Mar. 1 - May 15.
Polar bear.....	Oct. 1 - May 31.
Barren-ground and Grizzly Bear.....	No open season.
Black bear.....	Sept. 1 - Apr. 30.

General hunting licenses, which include the right to trap fur-bearers may be issued only to certain residents. Non-residents may obtain game bird licenses. Regulations administered by Director, Lands and Development Services Branch, Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, Ontario.

## NOVA SCOTIA

Open season

Bear, wildcat, fox.....	No closed season.
Fisher, marten, beaver.....	No open season.
Mink, muskrat, otter, raccoon, weasel.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 15.

Note - It is illegal to kill muskrats by the use of any shotgun, rifle, or other firearm.

No person shall damage or molest any muskrat house or set up any snare or trap within 25 feet of such house, or use any trap designed to take more than one animal at a time.

Possession and sale - It is illegal to possess or sell the green hides of beavers, martens, or fishers, or to possess, buy, or sell green hides of any fur animal taken out of season or pelts on which royalty has not been paid. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

Shipment and export - It is illegal to export skins of fur animals except under certificate of inspection and permit (fee 50¢) from the game inspector, and payment of royalty. All shipments must be made by express or parcel post.

Licenses - Not required of resident trapper; nonresident, \$50. Fur buyer: resident, \$25; nonresident, \$100. Fur buyers are required to report monthly on pelts purchased and sold.

## ONTARIO

Open season

Bear, lynx, skunk, weasel, wolf, wolverine.....	No closed season.
Beaver, muskrat (Seasons to be fixed by regulation of the Department of Lands and Forests, Toronto.	
Fox, mink, otter .....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.
Marten, fisher (Consult Department of Lands and Forests, Toronto)	
Raccoon.....	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31.



## Ontario (continued)

Possession and sale - Possession of furs during the closed season and the sale of unprime pelts are prohibited except under permit. It is illegal to have skins dressed, plucked, or treated except under permit obtained on payment of royalties.

Shipment and export - Export of furs is prohibited except under permit obtained on payment of royalties. Shipments must be made by express or parcel post, and packages must be marked to show names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and contents. Shipment by airplane is allowed under special permit.

Licenses - Resident trapping, British subject only, \$5. Not issued to nonresidents. Fur dealer: resident, British subject, "Store License," \$25; resident, British subject, traveling buyer, \$100; resident, not British subject, and nonresident traveling fur buyer, \$200; resident, British subject, wholesale license, \$100; nonresident, wholesale buyer from holder of ..... wholesale license, \$5; resident, British subject, buying for own use, \$1.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Consult Game Inspector, Department of Agriculture, Charlottetown.  
Data not available when Abstract was prepared.

## QUEBEC

### Open season

Beaver: Write to Department of Game and Fish, Quebec.	
Fisher, raccoon.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
Fox, mink.....	Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.
Lynx.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
Marten.....	No open season.
Muskrat:	
North zone (a).....	Apr. 15 - May 14.
(b).....	Nov. 1 - Nov. 20.
South zone.....	Mar. 15 - Apr. 30.
Otter.....	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28.
Skunk.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.
Other fur animals.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.

Possession and sale - No restrictions on skins legally taken and on which royalties have been paid.

Shipment and export - Prohibited, except of fur animals or furs on which royalties have been paid. Skins must be shipped open to view. Each skin must be stamped to show that royalty has been paid. Packages must show names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and have attached an export permit. A special permit must be obtained from the Federal Government before shipping a silver fox to the United States.

Licenses - Resident, \$2; nonresident, \$200.



# SASKATCHEWAN

Consult the Department of Natural Resources and Industrial Development, Natural Resources Building, Regina, Saskatchewan. Data not available when Abstract was prepared.

## YUKON

### Open season.

Beaver (see note).....	Mar. 1 - May 31.
Note - Beaver limited to take of 10.	
Fisher, otter.....	Jan. 1 - May 15.
Fox:	
North of the Arctic Circle.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15.
South of the Arctic Circle.....	Nov. 1 - Jan. 31.
Lynx.....	Nov. 15 - Mar. 31.
Marten, mink.....	Nov. 15 - Feb. 28.
Muskrat:	
North of the Arctic Circle.....	Mar. 1 - June 15.
South of the Arctic Circle.....	Mar. 1 - May 31.
Weasel.....	Nov. 1 - Mar. 31.
Other fur animals.....	No closed season.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that the export of raw furs is prohibited except under permit and payment of royalties. Aircraft may not be used in trapping operations except as a means of transportation between the settlement where the trapper outfits and his principal base camp, and in such use the game laws and regulations must be complied with.

## NEWFOUNDLAND

### Open season

Beaver, marten.....	No open season.
Fox, lynx, mink.....	Nov. 15 - Mar. 1.
Muskrat:	
Within Northern Peninsula.....	Nov. 15 - May 30.
Outside Northern Peninsula.....	Nov. 15 - May 15.
Otter.....	Nov. 15 - Mar. 31.
Weasel.....	No closed season.

Note - The Commissioner may from time to time, as he sees fit, by order, prescribe an open season in respect of any or of all the fur bearing animals for which no open seasons is prescribed in paragraph (1) of this regulation, and any such order may be made so as to apply to the whole of Newfoundland or to such part or parts thereof as may be specified in such order.

Licenses - Resident (except beaver and fur bearing animals in respect of which there is no open season), \$1; nonresident, \$200. Trapper's beaver license, resident only, \$2. Fur exporter's license: resident, \$25; nonresident, \$100.

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Alabama: Director, Department of Conservation, Montgomery.  
Alaska: Fish and Wildlife Service, Juneau; or Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. C.  
Arizona: Director, Arizona Game and Fish Commission, Phoenix.  
Arkansas: Executive Secretary, Game and Fish Commission, State Capitol, Little Rock.  
California: Executive Secretary, Fish and Game Commission, Department of Natural Resources, Ferry Building, San Francisco 11.  
Colorado: Superintendent of Fur Resources, State Game and Fish Commission, 1350 Sherman Street, Denver.  
Connecticut: Game Technician, State Board of Fisheries and Game, Hartford 1.  
Delaware: Chief Game Warden, Board of Game and Fish Commissioners, Dover.  
District of Columbia: Metropolitan Police, Washington.  
Florida: Director, Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, Tallahassee.  
Georgia: Director, State Game and Fish Commission, 412 State Capitol, Atlanta.  
Hawaii: Director, Division of Fish and Game, Board of Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry, P. O. Box 3319, Honolulu 1.  
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Maine: Chief Warden, Department of Inland Fisheries and Game, State House, Augusta.  
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Massachusetts: Commissioner, Department of Conservation, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston 8.  
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New Mexico: State Game Warden, State Game and Fish Commission, Santa Fe.  
New York: Director, Division of Fish and Game, Conservation Department, Albany.



North Carolina: Commissioner, Division of Game and Inland Fisheries,  
 Department of Conservation and Development, Raleigh.  
North Dakota: Game and Fish Commission, Game and Fish Department,  
 Bismarck.  
Ohio: Commissioner, Division of Conservation and Natural Resources,  
 Department of Agriculture, Columbus.  
Oklahoma: Superintendent, Game Division, Game and Fish Commission,  
 State Capitol, Oklahoma City 5.  
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 Portland 8.  
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 Agriculture and Conservation, State House, Providence 2.  
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 304 State Office Building, Nashville 3.  
Texas: Executive Secretary, Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Austin.  
Utah: Director, State Fish and Game Commission, State Capitol Building,  
 Salt Lake City.  
Vermont: Director, Fish and Game Service, Department of Natural Resources,  
 Montpelier.  
Virginia: Executive Director, Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries,  
 Travelers Building, Richmond 13.  
Washington: Director, Department of Game, State Game Commission, 509  
 Fairview North, Seattle.  
West Virginia: Game Technician, Conservation Commission of West Virginia  
 Charleston.  
Wisconsin: Game Management, Conservation Department, Madison 2.  
Wyoming: State Game Warden, Wyoming Game and Fish Commission, Cheyenne.  
Canada: Controller, National Parks Bureau, Department of Mines and  
 Resources, Ottawa.  
Alberta: Fish and Game Commission, Department of Lands and Mines,  
 Edmonton.  
British Columbia: Game Commission, 567 Burrard Street, Vancouver.  
Manitoba: Director of Game and Fisheries, Department of Mines and  
 Natural Resources, Winnipeg.  
New Brunswick: Chief Game Warden, Department of Lands and Mines,  
 Fredericton.  
Northwest Territories: Director, Lands, Parks, and Forests Branch,  
 Dept. of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, Ontario.  
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Ontario: Minister, Department of Lands and Forests, Parliament Building,  
 Toronto.  
Prince Edward Island: Game Inspector, Department of Agriculture,  
 Charlottetown.  
Quebec: Minister, Department of Game and Fisheries, Quebec.  
Saskatchewan: Game Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, Regina.  
Yukon: Territorial Secretary, Dawson.  
Newfoundland: Chief Game Warden, Department of Natural Resources,  
 St. Johns.  
Mexico: Secretaria de Agricultura y Fomento, Calle de Edison No. 145,  
 Mexico, D. F.



## THE FEDERAL LACEY ACT

An act of Congress of May 25, 1900 (31 Stat. 187) known as the Lacey Act, as amended by Public Law 772, 80th Congress on June 25, 1948, 18 U.S.C. sections 43 and 44, provides among other things, that -

§ 43 - Whoever delivers or knowingly receives for shipment, transportation, or carriage in interstate or foreign commerce, any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird imported from any foreign country, or captured, killed, taken purchased, sold, possessed contrary to any Act of Congress, or the law of any State, Territory, Possession, or foreign country, or subdivision thereof; or

Whoever transports, brings, or conveys from any foreign country into the United States any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird captured, killed, taken, shipped, transported, or carried contrary to the law of such foreign country or subdivision thereof: or

Whoever knowingly purchases or receives any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird imported from any foreign country or shipped, transported, carried, brought, or conveyed in violation of this section; or

Whoever, having purchased or received any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird imported from any foreign country or shipped, transported, or carried in interstate commerce, makes any false record or account thereof -

Shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than six months, or both; and the wild animals or birds, or the dead bodies or parts thereof, or the eggs of such birds, shall be forfeited.

§ 44 - Whoever ships, transports, carries, brings or conveys in interstate or foreign commerce any package containing wild animals or birds, or the dead bodies or parts thereof, without plainly marking, labeling, or tagging such package with the names and addresses of the shipper and consignee and with an accurate statement showing the contents by number and kind; or

Whoever ships, transports, carries, brings or conveys in interstate commerce any package containing furs, hides, or skins of wild animals without plainly marking, labeling, or tagging such package with the names and addresses of the shipper and consignee -

Shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than six months, or both; and the shipment forfeited.

§ 3054 - Any employee authorized by the Secretary of the Interior to enforce sections 43 and 44 of this title, and any officer of the customs, may arrest any person violating said sections in his presence or view, and may execute any warrant or other process issued by an officer or court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of said sections.

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s 3112 - Any employee authorized by the Secretary of the Interior to enforce sections 43 and 44 of this title, and any officer of the customs, shall have authority to execute any warrant to search for the seize any property used or possessed in violation of said sections and property so seized shall be held by him or by the United States marshal pending disposition thereof by the court.